Hello,

My name is Katherine Eves. I live at 149 High St. in Willimantic. I am writing to you about bill SB197 to increase the number of months that families in poverty may receive assistance from 21 months to 60 months.

It has always boggled my mind that educated people will believe that poor people want to live in poverty. That women are accused of having more children so they can continue to receive government help and not have to go to work. How ridiculous is that? Do you really think that women want to raise their children in poverty. That living on government welfare is easier. I submit to you that women do not want to live in poverty and raise their children with few prospects. I also submit that the increasing the number of months people can receive TANF benefits will help more women and their children succeed and remove themselves from poverty.

I urge the passage of this legislation and the funding of it through appropriations.

Sincerely,

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